

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Kindly amend the claims as follows:

1. (Four Times Amended) A stator for an electrical induction machine, comprising an even number  $n$  of stator sections at different axial positions, each section having a plurality of circumferentially separated, radially extending teeth and each tooth having a single winding,

wherein the stator sections are physically shifted relative to one another in a circumferential direction by  $360^\circ/n \pm$  an angle related to skew,

and wherein power supplied for the teeth of a first set of  $n/2$  of the stator sections is shifted  $180^\circ$  electrical relative to power supplied for the teeth of a second set of  $n/2$  of the stator sections.

11. (Four Times Amended) An electrical induction machine having a rotor and a stator, wherein the stator comprises an even number  $n$  of stator sections at different axial positions, each section having a plurality of circumferentially separated, radially extending teeth and each tooth having a single winding, wherein the stator sections are physically shifted relative to one another in a circumferential direction by  $360^\circ/n \pm$  an angle related to skew, and wherein power supplied for the teeth of a first set of  $n/2$  of the stator sections is shifted  $180^\circ$  electrical relative to power supplied for the teeth of a second set of  $n/2$  of the stator sections.